SHEPPERSON'S DEATH FIRST AT LOCAL CLUB

Preliminary Boxer Who Died From Result of Ring Injuries Initial Fatality-Did Not Appear To Be Injured After Bout-Was Regrettable Accident.

BY BOB PIGUE.

When Timothy Shepperson, a young preliminary boxer, who appeared at the Southern Athletic club Monday night in a four-round bout against Kid Cox, died at the home of his parents Tuesday night as the result of ring injuries, it marked the first time that a boxer has ever died from participating in a boxing bout at the local boxing club. There have been staged fights without number, but until Shepperson succumbed Tuesday night the record of the Southern was clear.

Shepperson fought under the name tached to anyone connected with the of Battling Finnegan, meeting another youngster by the name of Kid that terminated the life of Young club or Kid Cox, who dealt the blows that terminated the life of Young Cox. Cox's name is James. They had been training together at the club, and were fast friends. In the Shepperson. It was a regrettable accident, one that could not have been avoided, and in the same class with accidental ring, they laid their friendship aside, and gave ring fans one of the fastest deaths that occur on the baseball diamond, the football gridiron and in other lines of sporting endeavor. During the football season just closed there were 12 deaths from in-

bouts that has been witnessed at the local club in many moons. Fin-negan was beaten, but fought such a game fight that he was given a big round of applause as he left the arena. He did not appear to be hurt at that time, although he carried a badly battered countenance as the result of blows dealt out by Cox. bouts that has been witnessed at juries. During the late baseball season there was one fatlity in the major leagues-the death of Ray Chapman, shortstop of the Cleveland In-dians, world's champions, who was killed by being struck by a pitched

NOT KNOCKED DOWN.

Finnegan was not knocked out or even knocked off his feet in his bout with Cox. He at no time appeared hurt, although on the receiving end of several hard punches. At the same time Cox was handing Finnegan some hard wallops, Finnegan himself gave Cox a few jolts that same close to knocking Cox out. came close to knocking Cox out, 'It was a whirlwind fight from start to finish, with no spectator dreaming that it would terminate fatally.

Attending physicians stated that
the result of death was concussion
of the brain sustained by a blow upon
the temple.

Finnegan laughed and chatted gaily after the fight had ended, and along with Cox, he watched the remainder of the program. At no time did he complain, or ap-pear to be hurt. He said nothing about being injured, and as he left his friends that night after the mill, he appeared to be all

Finnegan went into the office of the Southern Athletic club, where he was paid off by Promoter and Referee Billy Haack.

Hanck said to him: "You sure put up a great fight, get him the next time," Fin-

benefit boxing show for the family of Young Shepperson.

Haack regrets the occurrence as much as anybody, but knows that it was absolutely an accident, one that could not have been avoided. Neither participant appeared to be hurt, or the mill would have been stopped. Many boys have been beaten more thang Young Shepperson and surviye, which proves that it was one of those regrettable occurences that could not be helped. "I'll get him the next time, Fin-negan replied. "I know I can beat him, and the next time I box him I'll get the decision." Haack says that Finnegan did not appear hurt at all, although carry-ing the usual marks of bruises that preliminary boys usually get, not possessing the science to block the punches.

There is no blame that can be at-

by Coaches Throughout

State-Coleman, of Hen-

the state in the number of members an all-state intercollegiate foot-

ball team as made up from a com-

pilation of the votes of the majority

of college coaches in the state,

Quachita is represented on the 'cam by four players—Cowger. Shugart, Turbeville and Wallis. Hendrix is represented on the team by three men, Little Rock college by two, and

the Russellville Agricultural college

Individually, however, J. Coleman, of Hendrix; Tucker of Russellville, and Harton, of Hendrix, carried off

drix, Named Captain. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 1 .-Quachita leads all other colleges of

Ouachita Leads Arkansas

BRINGING UP FATHER—By George McManus







NEW YORK, Dec. 1.-Tex Rickard announced today he had received contracts signed by Jess Willard, former world's heavyweight boxing champion; Jack Dempsey, present title holder, and Bill Brennan for a championship bout on March 17, 1921, between Willard and the winner of the Dempsey-Brennan fight here on Dec. 14. Reports to this effect had been circulated for some time, but official announcement of contracts having been signed was not made until today. Colleges On All-State Rickard said the fight will be staged in Madison Square Gar-den unless the state boxing com-mission should prevent it. The mission should prevent it. The size of the purse was not made public today.

Four Members of Team Picked Quachita, and Bingham, of Hendrix, received all but two votes. The first and second choices tor the all-state team, as determined by the ballots of the coaches, follows: FIRST TEAM.

The death of Young Shepperson is in the same class with the untimely taking off of those other atheltes.

There is an element of danger in every line of sport and the participant takes that chance.

In boxing the danger is even less than in football, for the par-

ticipants are usally about evenly matched, weigh about the same, and there's no hitting below the

The death list in boxing is very low as compared to the fatalities in football. This is proven by the fact that the local boxing club

has been operating for many years, and during this time thou-sands of fighters have appeared.

but not until Monday night did a bout result fatally. It is a very regrettable occurence, one that is regretted by every fight fan that goes to the club.

TO GIVE BENEFIT.

Promoter Haack has authorized us

o announce that at an early date the

enefit boxing show for the family of

Southern Athletic club will put on

Right end, Diaz, Little Rock, Right tackle, J. Coleman, Hendrix, Right guard, Cowger, Ouachita, Center, Shugart, Ouachita, Left guard, Bingham, Hendrix, Left tackle, Murphy, Little Rock. Left end, Turbeville, Ouachita, Quarter, Tucker, Russellville, Right half, Harton, Hendrix. Left half, Wallis, Ouachita, Fullback, Jones, Russellville J. Coleman, captain. SECOND TEAM.

Right end, Charles, Hendrix Right end, Charles, Hendrix.
Right tackle, Herring, Hendrix.
Right guard, Shockley, Russellville.
Center, Moody, Henderson-Brown.
Left guard, G, Hamm Russellville. Left tackle, Dews, Ouachita. Left end, Thorn, Jonesboro, Quarter, Lillis, Little Rock, Right half, Cowan, Quachita, Left half, Powers, Russellville, Fullback, Loca, Little Rock,

the honors, each of them receiving the unanimous vote of the coaches for places on the first term. Colefor places on the first term. Coleman also was the selection for captain.

Turbeville and Wallis, of Ouabhta, received all but one vote for laces on the all-state team, and Diaz, of Little Rock; Cowger and Shugart, of Little Rock; Cowger and Shugart, of the coaches Moody, captain.

All the men are given their regular position with the exception of Shockley, right guard on the second all-state team, who played right tackle on the Russellville Aggies' team.

Jess Willard To Meet Dempsey March 17, 1921

CHOPEN LAK RAAL

Carpentier and Dempsey Will Likely Clash at Famous Battleground.

TOLEDO, Dec. 1.-Negotiations vere opened between Jack Kearns, manager of Jack Dempsey, world's champion heavyweight pugilist, and Ad Thacher, Toledo promoter, today with a view to staging the proposed Dempsey-Carpentier match in To-ledo. Thacher received a telegram from Kearns in New York city ask-ing the promoter to "look over the ground here and report to him by telephone." The two men are ex-pected to confer later in the day. According to Kearns it does not look probable that the bout can be staged in New York and there does not seem to be a logical location elsewhere at present. Thacher was Tex Rickard's assistant in promoting the Willard-Dempsey bout here a year ago last July 4 when Dempsey won his title.

Thacher said today that he would go before the commission for a per-mit for a decision bout if he can "make a satisfactory deal with Kearns."

MAYFIELD WILL PLAY PARAGOULD

(Special to The News Scimitar.)
PADUCAH. Ky., Dec. 1.—Announcement is made by the manager of the Mayfield football team that a game has been scheduled with that a game has been scheduled with the Paragould. Ark., team for Friday afternoon of this week in Paragould. The Paragould team claims the championship for the state of Ar-kansas and Mayfield that of Kenucky. As yet the Mayfield club has been unable to arrange a match with either Louisville or Hopkinsville, but on its record claims superiority over

HORNSBY GOING INTO **BUSINESS IN ST. LOUIS**

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 1.—Rogers Hornsby, Cardinal second baseman, expects to go in business here, ac-cording to a telegram to the St Louis chamber of commerce received from him last night. He did not state the nature of the proposed venture. Hornsby will take up his residence here this month, the tele-

CHARLIE CONWAY IS SEWANEE CAPTAIN

SEWANEE, Tenn., Dec. 1.-Charlie SEWANLE, Tenn., Dec. I.—Charife Conway, veteran end, has been selected leader of the 1921 Sewance Tigers. He has played consistently for three years, and is one of the most dependable men on the team, The Purple and White could not have elected a better man.

BLUHM GETS OFFER.

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 1—"Red" Bluhm, first sacker of last year's Oil City team, has received an offer to play with the Wichita Falls club to play with the Wic of the Texas league.

Bo McMillan Made Colonel By Gov. Morrow

DANVILLE, Dec. 1.—At a ban-quet here last night given by the Danville chamber of commerce to the Centre college football squad, Gov. Edwin P. Morrow, the principal speaker, announced that he had made "Bo" McMillan, Centre's famous quarterback, a colonel on his staff.

the role of coach for his pitchers. To a man up a tree it looks as if Street

are glad that Gabby is coming back He's a whole-souled, popular ath-lete, and any league is better for having him within its confines.

A fan, who must be a black-A fan, who must be a black-smith, judging from the way he wields the hammer, drops a com-munication to the effect that Memphis is not going to have a winning ball club next season, for the simple reason that "they never do," as he expresses it. But why get black in the face over it now? There's plenty of time to knock after the season The local officials

lining up some good material, and unless the bottom drops out of present deals that are on the fire, there's no reason why the Chicks shouldn't go to the post as a pennant contender.

LEONARD SEEKS DEMPSEY Dear Sir-I take this method of

challenging Young Dempsey for an eight-round bout at the Southern Athletic club, for the championship of the city. I am not in doubt in the least as

to being able to take Dempsey's measure Rather, I will welcome an opportunity to meet him. Yours truly, JOHNNY LEONARD.

Former Cub Pilot Succeeds George Stallings at Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 1 The appointment of Fred Mitchell, who has been leader of the Chicago Cubs for the leader of the Chicago Cubs for the last three years as field manager of the Boston Braves, has been an-nounced by President George W. Grant. In taking the place of George W. Stallings, Mitchell returns to the team for which he acted as battery coach before going to Chicago.

Xen Scott Named For Two More Years As Alabama Coach

UNIVERSITY, Ala., Dec. L .- An nouncement was made here last night by the athletic authorities of the University of Alabama that Nen Scott, coach of the Alabama football teams for 1919 and 1920, had been signed for 1921 and 1922. Scott came to the university after baving coached the strong Cleveland na-

JOE WELLING BARRED FROM WISCONSIN RINGS

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 1 .- Jo Welling, Chicago boxer, has been suspended from fighting in Wis-consin for one year by the state boxin December. The bout was scheduled for late summer but was passed up by promoters when the Massactonisetts state commission refused to stand for the bout in that state. Brennan packs an awful wallop and can box, but no one gives him a chance against the giant killer.

"Y" BASKETEERS GET TOGETHER FOR SEASON

Coach George Gleaves, of Local Association Quintet, Arranging Classy Card of Court Games-Memphis Team Should Be One of Strongest in the Southland This Year.

BY BOB PIGUE.

With football having taken its stylish departure, basketball omes upon the local sport stage

Bluff City basketeers are getting busy and are planning one of the greatest seasons in the history of the indoor sport that Memphis quintets have ever enjoyed

The local Y. M. C. A. team, which always is the premier basketball quinter of Memphis, should have the strongest array this season in the history of the organization, for not only are many of the regulars back on the job, but there are many high-class substitutes who can be called upon to sit in for any of the regulars who are out of the game for any reason,

here on that date.

Roberts plays center,

hold.

There will be many other strong teams playing here before the cur-

tain is rung down.

Among the quintets that are being

sought for dates are Birmingham Y. M. C. A., University of Tennessee, Chicago Y. college and Illinois Ath-

Chicago Y, college and Illinois Athletic club.

It is also likely that Centre college, of Danville, Ky., will play here, Bo McMillan, famous quarterback of the Praying Colonels, and Red Roberts, also a member of the grid squad, are on the basketball team. McMillan is captain and forward, while Roberts plays center.

STECHER DEFENDS TITLE.

weight wrestler, successfully de-fended his tittle here last night by winning from Salvatore Chevaller, a Frenchman, in straight falls. The first came in seven minutes 40 sec-

onds with a body scissors and arm

In the catch-as-catch can bout

Stecher, world's champion

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 1 .- Joe

Coach George Gleaves, who is physical director of the local "Y." plans to assemble two teams, one the regulars and the other the reserves. The GO TO MEET RAMBLERS. are and the other the reserves. The two squads are already in training, and are getting in shape for the grind that is to start within a short time. According to Coach Gleaves, the Memphis "V" quintet is anticipating nothing except a clean sweep this season, although they are going to meet some classy teams before the baskethall year comes to a close. The Rambiers and Commodores. These games have always been hard fought, and should test the mettle of the Memphians. The Rambiers will return the call of the local "V" outfit on Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22, playing here on that date. Memphis "Y" quintel is anticipat-ing nothing except a clean sweep this season, although they are going to meet some classy teams before

PERSONNEL OF SQUAD.

The personnel of the local "Y" regular squad follows:
Oliver Perry, cautain and guard.
Dr. N. W. (Dooche) Sherman.

Norris Blackburn, center, Willis McCabe, forward. Leslie Walden, forward. Orville (Shorty) Magee, forward.

Richmond Gill, general utility man. The reserves will be composed of the following well-known players: Rodney Johnson, Barney Crutch-field, Dudley Ransom, "Spickey" Campbell, Charles Perry, a brother to Oliver, Bob McKinney and Oliver Physics.

The first game of the local basketball season will be played on the night of Dec. 10, when the Clarksville All-Stars will come to Memphis to meet the "W" quintet. The Clarksvillians will have the Crutchfield brothers, former well-known Memphis harstythall stars on their team. on Dec. 18 the local "Y" basket-eers will go to Pine Bluff, Ark, where they will go up against the Pine Bluff Y. M. C. A. team. The Pine Bluff outfit has lost but one game in three seasons, the Little Rock "Y" being the only machine to come out victorious after meeting

VANDY COMES DEC. 27.

The Vanderbilt Commodores, ancient rivals of the local Red and White array, will invade Memphis for their annual struggle on Monday, Dec. 27. The Gold and Black outfit is said to be strong this season, and should give the Memphis team a

January 7 is open, but the University of Mississippi has asked for a date and probably will come here on Jan. 7.

Strangler Lewis defeated Raymond Cazeau, a Canadian, in straight falls, the first in 22 minutes 40 seconds with a headlock, and the second in seven minutes 35 seconds with a headlock and armhold.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Pierre Mau-pome continued his steady play in the preliminaries for the national three-cushion billiard championship yesterday and defeated Augie Kiech-hefer, of Chicago, 50 to 42, in 65 in-nings, each man making a high run of four. The defeat dropped Kiech-hefer to fifth place in the tourna-ment standings.

MAUPOME STILL WINS.

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On Friday, Jan. 14, the Evansville.

Ind., "Y" team will play the locals in Memphis. Evansville will go to CHICAGO. Dec. 1.—A pitcher. James Coble. of an independent baseball team, Charleston. Ill., today was added to the staff of Chicago National league club when Manager Evers signed him to a contract for 1921, making a total of 16 pitchers on the Cubs' staff for next season.

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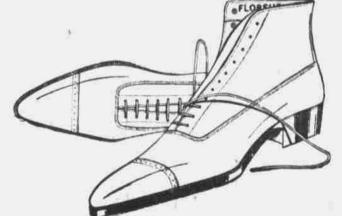
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GOLF WAR LOOMS

New Construction and By-Laws Sought by Western Association.

CHICAGO, Dec. 1—A war for supremacy in the control of golf in America is promised by the proposal sent out yesterday by the directors of the Western Golf association for of the Western Golf association for the adoption of a new constitution and by-laws at the coming annual meeting Fan. 15, changing the name to the American Golf association, "to act as the authoritative administra-tive body for making and enforcing the rules for the playing of salf in rules for the playing of golf in U. S."

Heretofore, the Western associaon has limited its membership to lubs west of a line just east of Pittsorgh, Buffalo and Atlanta, but the new constitution provides for in-asion of the East, which has been olely under the U. S. Golf associaion, which has been recognized as the authority in American golf. The Western organization has grown to actude nearly 300 clubs as members, while the United States Golf association has nearly 400 members, of which about a fourth are active and oting. Of these active members, early 50 are in Western Golf as-ociation territory, but leaders in the Western association have frequently charged that the U. S. Golf associa-tion is largely controlled in the East.

FERGUSON CAPTAIN OF NEW YORK TEAM

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.-James T Ferguson, of Shreveport, La. yester-day was elected captain of the New York university football team for 921 season. He played at quarterck this year.

CUBS SEEK GIPP.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. George Gipp. Notre Dame football star, last night received an offer from President Veeck of the Chicago National league team of a place with National league team of a place with the Cubs next spring, it was announced here. Gipp, who is seriously ill in a local hospital, has not given fight with Leonard at Jersey City on Dec. 10. The champion, however, has not agreed to the match.

BETWEEN ROUNDS

I remember about 10 years ago we had a bout between Young Sigaigo and Kid Scott. I was in Scott's corner and in the third round Scott decided he had enough, so he came to his corner and claimed his hand was

But I coaxed him along and told him he was winning. However, he went me one better. "I've just remembered that my daddy told me to be home by 9 o'clock, and it is after 9 now."

So he quit cold.

Bob Martin Goes To Mountains To Regain Health

CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 1.— Bob Martin, helvyweight champion of the A. E. F., is spending a vaca-tion in the mountains at Terra Alta. W. Va., in an effort to regain weight lost within the past six months.

When Martin won the sinterallied championship he weighed 195. At the present time he weighs but 175 pounds, and he fears that unless he an improve his weight he will be forced to drop from the heavyweight

Charley White Wants To Meet Leonard Again

(By International News Service.) CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Despite th CHICAGO, Dec. 1.—Despite the nockout which the champion draped on his chin at Benton Harbor on July 4. Charley White, the Chicago lightweight, still believes that he is the master of Benny Leonard. White s exerting all his efforts these days in an attempt to obtain a return match with Leonard. The latest move in White's campaign is the organization of the Charley White Booster club, of Chicago, formed to aid White to bring

The spitball, which has fallen under the ban in the Southern league, will be revived and brought back into use if Red Torkelson, New Orleans moistballer, and other users of the

saliva delivery, have their way. A combined effort is being made by the spitball pitchers of the Southern league to get the wet delivery reinstated, for it is claimed that it is unfair to bar a delivery that it took a pitcher many years to perfect, and which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effectiveness many per cent. Torkelson was here a few days ago and was discussing the spitball proposition. Which reduces his effective was being a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is a man up a tree it looks as if Street is b wet delivery reinstated, for it is claimed that it is unfair to

season, and with my additional victories, the chances would have been good for the Pels to have won the pennant.

"As it was, I had a fair year, but I for any length of time solely upon

"What I favor and what every other spitball pitcher favors, is to let us use the spitball so long as we are in the league, and at the same time not let any youngsters use it. We'll wear out in a few years and then the spitter will be gone, but it is a great handicap right, now to cut us off from the one best bet we have."

side of his jaw. GRIMES TO THE BAT.

the redhead, as he shifted his cud of Brown Mule to the other

Burleigh Grimes, star spitball pitcher of the Brooklyn Robins, champions of the National league, who is one of the few spitball pitch-ers remaining in the majors, makes a strong plea for the spitter. gob of logic in what he has to say:
"Big league club owners set up a
mighty squawk when another of their class tampers with some other magnate's players. The howl is set up of the athlete and owner merely talk. The one maintains that the other owner has no right to talk to play-ers under contract. Then, why is a group of club owners allowed to take the spitball delivery from men who

have spent from 10 to 15 years of his short life to perfect it." "It takes from ten to 15 years to

would have enjoyed a much better one had I been privileged to use the moist-ball.

"What I favor and what every other spitball pitcher favors, is to

the customary delivery is physiologially impossible "To the best of my belief, a big league spitball pitcher throws ten of his special brand of balls to one curve in a season as an average. Everyone can see how impossible the change is. If all spitbull pitchers, in-cluding myself, are called upon to discard the moist ball next spring I discard the moist ball next spring I am sure that in the spring of 1922 there will be a large number of exmajor league pitchers pounding the pavements in seeking an honest living; that is, provided our bosses judge us according to games won and lost as in the next.

lost as in the nest.
"The idea that arises foremost in the mind of the American ball player is to please the fan, for it is the fan who indirectly pays his salary. Now, since the youngest spitball pitcher is Mr. Grimes is quoted at length on the proposition, and there's quite a at least 28 years old, will the fan tolerate him for five years more without his effective weapon? When man has given his whole life to d veloping himself in a particular base-ball specialty up in his prime and yet retain his effectiveness and his drawing power. Nor is it fair to peet such a change."

GABBY TO RETURN.

The report comes that Gabby Street, the debonair backstop, formdevelop a big league caliber spitter, I developed one and a rood one, Had I ever been able to master a curve hall I never would have worked so hard on the moist fling. That is the explanation for the existence of spit-

BILL BRENNAN TO GET A CHANCE TO KISS THE CANVAS THIS MONTH

